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Freedom of Information request 375-22

Request

- 1. Is PIGF testing something you use? (If not, what system do you test with?)
- 2. How many tests were carried out in your health board area during your latest data sect?
- 3. Can you provide your most recent information regarding pre-eclampsia morbidity/mortality rates?

Response

- 1. There is currently no recommendation for PIGF testing for pre-eclampsia in Scotland and PIGF testing is not used by NHS Borders at this time. However, we may scope out options to potentially implement PIGF testing for pre-eclampsia in the future. We complete an antenatal risk assessment at booking which incorporates family history of pre-eclampsia, new partners are also a risk factor. For some, their risk can be assessed using biochemical markers (PAPP-A) which are measured in early pregnancy. The Uterine Artery Doppler waveform can also be assessed to screen for pre-eclampsia at the time of the mid trimester foetal anomaly ultrasound scan.
- 2. There were no PIGF test carried out in NHS Borders during our latest data sect.
- 3. NHS Borders most recent information regarding pre-eclampsia morbidity/mortality rates shows there have been no deaths.

If you are not satisfied with the way your request has been handled or the decision given, you may ask NHS Borders to review its actions and the decision. If you would like to request a review please apply in writing to, Freedom of Information Review, NHS Borders, Room 2EC3, Education Centre, Borders General Hospital, Melrose, TD6 9BS or foi.enquiries@borders.scot.nhs.uk.

The request for a review should include your name and address for correspondence, the request for information to which the request relates and the issue which you wish to be reviewed. Please state the reference number **375-22** on this request. Your request should be made within 40 working days from receipt of this letter.

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